commissioners and the governing bodies of all municipalities, the acts of all county and city boards of education, and the acts of the State Board of Education heretofore done in connection with providing courses of training and instruction in the operation of motor vehicles in this State, including the appropriation and expenditure of funds for such purpose, are hereby ratified and confirmed. (1955, c. 817.)

Editor's Note.—This section, which became effective upon ratification. May 4, 1955, and paragraph 115-201, which was ratified May 26, 1955, do not seem to be in conflict.

Chapter 20. Motor Vehicles

Article 2. Uniform Driver's License Act

20-7. Operator's and chauffeurs' licenses; expiration; examinations; fees.—(1-1) The Department upon receiving proper application may in its discretion issue a restricted instruction permit effective for a school year or a lesser period to an applicant who is enrolled in a driver training program approved by the Department even though the applicant has not yet reached the legal age to be eligible for an operator's license. Such instruction permit shall entitle the permittee when he has such permit in his immediate possession to operate a motor vehicle subject to the restrictions imposed by the Department. The restrictions which the Department may impose on such permits include but are not limited to restrictions to designated areas and highways and restrictions prohibiting operation except when an approved instructor is occupying a seat beside the permittee.

Chapter 115. Education

SUBCHAPTER II. ADMINISTRATIVE ORGANIZATION

Article 5. County and City Boards of Education

115-53. Liability insurance and waiver of immunity as to torts of agents, etc.—Any county or city board of education, by securing liability insurance as hereinafter provided, is hereby authorized and empowered to waive its governmental immunity from liability for damage by reason of death or injury to person or property caused by the negligence or tort of any agent or employee of such board of education when acting within the scope of his authority or within the course of his employment. Such immunity shall be deemed to have been waived by the act of obtaining such insurance, but such immunity is waived only to the extent that said board of education is indemnified by insurance for such negligence or tort.

Any contract of insurance purchased pursuant to this section must be issued by a company or corporation duly licensed and authorized to execute insurance contracts in this State and must by its terms adequately insure the county or city board of education against any and all liability for any damages by reason of death or injury to person or property proximately caused by the negligent acts or torts of the agents and employees of said board of education or the agents and employees of a particular school in a county or city administrative unit when acting within the scope of their authority or within the course of their employment. Any company or corporation which enters into a contract of insurance as above described with a county or city board of education, by such act waives any defense based upon the governmental immunity of such county or city board of education.

Every county or city board of education in this State is authorized and empowered to pay as a necessary expense the lawful premiums for such insurance.